

Friends of the San Antonio Public Library

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Centennial Street Party Sunday, June 8, 1:00–4:00 PM Central Library

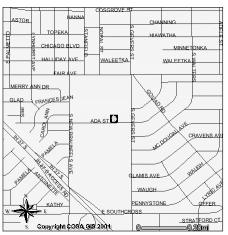
2003 is an opportunity that we'll get to enjoy only once. How often does a 100th anniversary happen? Take advantage of the chance to celebrate with refreshments, music, entertainment, children's activities including Libro the Lion, US Postal Service special Centennial stamp cancellations, Centennial T-shirt and FOSAPL poster sales – and, of course, the Chihuly!!!



(Central Library will be closed on June 7 for preparations, but will be open on June 8 for full library service during the party. See page xx for more information about the blowout.)

Open Board Meeting May 21, 7:00 p.m. Map to McCreless Library

1023 Ada Street + (210) 532-4254



Directions: I-37 South to South New Braunfels exit. Turn left at the light on South New Braunfels. McCreless Mall will be on your right. Proceed 2 blocks to Ada Street (first through street after left turn) turn right, proceed 1 block, library on the left near Ada/Gevers intersection.

From the President

Dear Friends,

So much has happened in the past few months, and more is to come. I have set up a schedule for those who want to participate in the Folklife Festival Autograph Party Booth that we Friends sponsor. In some time slots of the schedule, we have plenty of volunteers, but other slots have not been filled. The Folklife Festival will be held June 5–8. If you would like to volunteer, please call **Dennis Villarreal** at 458-2275, email@dvillarreal@utsa.edu; the fax number is 458-2278. Everyone who volunteered last year had a great time. I know it is a busy time for everyone, but please check your schedule and see if you can sign up.

For the next meeting, I am trying to set up a schedule for selling the posters at different events connected with the Library and the Centennial. I will be calling and e-mailing people to see if they have time in their schedules or if they can make time. Please give me a call or e-mail me if you can possibly volunteer for any of these events.

The next major project we have is to start Friends groups in new libraries coming into the system. Requests are already being made, and I will be going to the different groups and helping them get their groups started; if you can join me and would like to help, please give me a call or e-mail me.

Finally, I want to offer my APOLOGY for anyone who went to Central Library for our last meeting. I did not inform our Newsletter Editor **Marti Nodine** of the change of meeting place. I have sent her a list of all of the meeting times and places through September, and a complete list will follow shortly.

I hope you had a lovely Easter and a safe Fiesta!

Barbara C. Isner, President Friends of the San Antonio Public Library

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Mintues for the March 19, 2003, FOSAPL Board Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library met Wednesday, March 19, 2003, at 7 PM, at the Oakwell Branch Library, President Barbara Isner presiding. Attending were Edie and Vern Hophan, Marti Nodine, Cathy Dean, Gerry Celitans, Pat R. Brown, Robbi Ruppert, Lucille Teeter, Jim Wogstad, Aaron and Pat Konstam, Ronnie Rezloff, Mary Louise Danieri, and Lucile Gale.

Don Counts, Chair of the San Antonio Public Library Board, was introduced by **President Isner** as the featured speaker of the evening to follow the business segment of the meeting. **Don's** presentation was devoted to "Born to Read" projects and four new proposed branch libraries.

Marti Nodine listed the corrections for the minutes from the last meeting as printed in the January/February newsletter. Lee La Caff's name was inadvertently omitted from the Executive Board list; she is past chair. Lee also brought to Marti's attention that Aaron Konstam, as capable as he is, cannot serve as a Member of the Board as well as the Treasurer. (Q'uelle error!) Subsequently, Marti nominated Edie Hophan from McCreless to serve on the Board in his stead, leaving Aaron to continue his new duties as Treasurer. The nomination was seconded and Edie was approved as a new Board member.

Irma Ned Bailey had accompanied Marti to the meeting and was nominated by the latter as Acting Secretary. Ned's nomination was seconded, and she was approved by a voice vote. Although Ned cannot serve this summer, she plans to be back in the fall and says that she will "probably" be able to serve for the rest of the year.

Aaron presented the 2003 budget, essentially the same as previously submitted, but added into the disbursements is \$2,000 allocated for the Book Cellar renovation. Also, a volunteer recognition cost of \$1,000 was assessed. As **Aaron** noted, most of the treasurer's expenses are for postage and supplies. Ronnie moved to approve the budget as discussed and amended. The motion was seconded and carried.

The President's Report followed. **Barbara Isner** asked for (1) two volunteers to sell the posters, which **Edie** has been selling so effectively, (2) volunteers for the **Dale Chihuly** event to be held at the Central Library in early June, and (3) volunteers for the Folk Life Festival, which also will be held, Thursday through Sunday, the first week of June,.

Next, **Aaron** gave the Treasurer's Report. He explained to the Board that the branches have complete control of their spending. As of 3/16/03, \$60,000 of the Friends' funds are under control of the branches. Of the \$70,000, the Friends currently hold, we owe \$58,000 to the branches. The Friends have two certificates of deposit (over \$50,000 total) but have to pay the branches half; however these CDs do not come due until June. When the Friends need money, we can decide whether to pay the penalty or, in June, to put the money into a money market account, which would give us more liquidity but does not make as much interest as the CDs.

Also, **Aaron** continued, a \$22,500 CD is shown in the By-laws as being funded by life membership dues. **Aaron** suggests converting that certificate of deposit into a money market account

designated for Life Members (who join for \$250) so the money can start making interest immediately. Also, this would make it easier for the treasurer to send \$100 memorial gifts. The motion was made, seconded, and passed to transfer funds from the Life Membership certificate of deposit to a money market fund designated to receive the funds of life members when this CD (#4828) becomes due. At the May 21 meeting, the board will vote about what to do with the other two certificates of deposit.

Don Counts spoke about upcoming Centennial events and about the four new branches of the City system. Counts announced a ceremonial tree planting to celebrate the groundbreaking for the Julia Yates Semmes Branch near Rolling Oaks Mall, an area locally known as Comanche Lookout. The significance of this ceremony is that the tree, and other plants on the site, will use water from the air conditioning system for irrigation. Furthermore, a rain water catchment system will use solar energy to provide heated water within the facility. The site will also feature a garden where people can sit and read. This branch is a joint effort between the Library and the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of San Antonio. At the next Library Board meeting, March 26, at the Central Library, the group will have a presentation about the Semmes Branch Library, which will be located, more specifically, at the junction of Nacogdoches and Judson Roads.

The previous day, **Don** had met with **Mayor Ed Garza** and members of the **Hertzberg Family**. The benefactors agreed to share the Hertzberg Circus collection with a Florida foundation. They will ask the council to store the parts of the collection not on display in a climate-controlled location. A portion of the collection will be displayed in the Witte Museum.

The **Henry Guerra** Branch will perhaps be open by December, 2003; the groundbreaking would be March 25 at 10 am. Altogether the four new branches that are being planned are **Semmes, Henry Guerra, Mystic Park,** and **Camp Bullis**.

Mary Louise Daneri gave a very full and informative report from the Central Library Staff. The library was asked to reduce its budget 5%, which meant \$400,000. This year the library is asked to cut back an additional 3% in a budget that has already been cut to the bone. Particularly in light of these cuts, Mary Louise expressed great appreciation for the Friends' generosity to the Summer Reading Program during FY '03-'04; she distributed an itemized list of the programs funded by the \$35,000 allocated to this need. (This budget appears on page 5 of the newsletter. Ed.)

Mary Louise's financial disclosure statement showed how the Friends' \$35,000 given last year for programming was and will be spent: summer reading 2002, the Hispanic heritage 2002 programs, children's programming, summer reading 2003, and Hispanic heritage 2003. All these programs had excellent attendance. She said that the goal is to continue to have high quality programs that the library was unable to have before.

At the end of July, a Summer Fest will be held at the Alamodome, which will be the library's partner for the event. She asks that the branches use money from the Friends in line with the

overall strategic plan and for special things that the library otherwise can't afford. She doesn't think that the Friends' money should go for books; that's the library's job, and the library continues to seek grants.

Next, **Mary Louise** passed around the book bag being distributed as the premium in the "Born to Read" project, primarily funded by the Library Foundation. She called our attention to the Friends' logo printed proudly on the bag itself. **Lucy Gale** also mentioned the Book Cellar's voucher for a child's book to be redeemed by the mother of each newborn. **Ms. Daneri's** presentation was greatly appreciated.

Don also expressed the Library Board's appreciation and gratitude for the help of the Friends of the Library.

Our Membership Chairman, **Ronnie Retzloff**, reported that the Friends has 950 members and that fewer than 50 people have not renewed their memberships.

Marti Nodine reported that 825 copies of the last newsletter were printed. Although it is not part of her domain, she suggested that it is time for a new directory. One is usually printed every other year, but more than two years have lapsed since we had an updated version distributed.

Jim Wogstad reported that the annual book sale at the Book Cellar would be Friday–Sunday, 3/28–30. Ten members would be needed on Book Cellar committees. Volunteers are required to work one hour a month to be in good standing. The Book Cellar needs a volunteer to be in charge of selling the poster. Jim also reported that the Book Cellar remodeling continues and should be completed this year. He circulated drawings of the proposed project which will include more efficient sorting, storage and display units as well as eye-catching graphics to make the area much more functional and appealing.

A draft of the revised fundraising policy was passed out and will be voted on at the meeting in May.

Lucy Gale gave the Vice-President's report, reiterating the invitation to the groundbreaking of the **Henry A, Guerra, Jr.** Branch Library, which will be located on West Military Highway at Castleridge. It will serve approximately 82,000 of our population, about 25,000 of whom are children. A well-equipped computer center will provide Internet access to residents of all ages, many of whom have "no home access to what are now basic 21st century learning tools." This is just one of the ceremonies that the Foundation has sponsored and continues to sponsor.

Also, a reception and exhibition featuring works of three local glass artists, was announced for April. The **Wade Davis** lecture on anthropology and ethnobotany, March 11, was well attended, **Lucy** reported. April 20 was the date for **Dr. Sylvia Earle's** lecture on marine biology; that evening **Dr. Earle** would be asked to draw thirty children's names, submitted for the winners'opportunity to work with the glass artist **Dale Chilhuy**, June 7. **Lucy** showed the contents of the Born to Read book bag, 25,000 of which have been made. Each bag contains a compact disc of the Texas Children's Choir singing children's songs and lullabies in Spanish and English, a video to help a young mother develop reading readiness in her child, and a coupon redeemable for a child's book.

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Irma Ned Bailey, Acting Secretary

BRANCH LEAVES

(News from Support Groups)



Book Cellar

The Annual Book Sale the last weekend of March brought in \$6,996.78 for Friends of the Library projects. Volunteers turned out in good numbers to set up and staff the three-day sale. FOS-APL provided generous lunches for workers, thanks to arrangements made by **Barbara Isner**, **Lucille Teeter** and **Pat Sharman**.

The next big project for the Book Cellar is installing new signage and remodeling the former food service area to accommodate more book displays. Book Cellar Committee chairman **Jim Wogstad** expects to start construction in May, doing most of the work himself.

In time for the Annual Sale, volunteers had their purple Book Cellar aprons updated with additional patches showing how many hours they have worked at the store. A growing number of people have a chestful of patches.

The next mark-down sale will be for children's books, in June and July during the Library's summer reading program.

At the request of the FOSAPL Board, the Book Cellar Committee drafted an amended fundraising policy for FOSAPL. The draft was presented at the March board meeting and will be voted on at the May meeting. One provision would allow Friends groups at branches to take surplus books from the Book Cellar for branch sales without being required to pay for the books. This could help the Book Cellar clear out duplicate books and increase income for branch groups.

If you would like to volunteer at the Book Cellar, please call store manager **Karen Atkinson** at 227-9519. And tell your bookloving friends that books are available at bargain prices from 11 AM to 3 PM every day at the Book Cellar—not just during the big spring sale.

Pat Konstam Book Cellar Correspondent

Brook Hollow

The Brook Hollow Friends re-elected their 2002 officers for another one-year term. They are: **Pat Bjornson**, President; **Richard Bowser**, Vice-President; **Ruby Pesek**, Secretary; and **Beth Crabb**, Treasurer.

We enjoyed the Brook Hollow Branch Staff Appreciation Day on February 20, as well as a dinner in honor of the staff that evening. We are also planning to participate in a focus meeting with the architects working on the Brook Hollow renovation.

Our next branch Friends' meeting is May 5, 2003, at 7:00 PM. **Molly Robbins** from Library Administration will update us on

Brook Hollow's expansion, renovations, parking lot reconfiguration, time frame, and so on. She will bring the plans and drawings for us to see and will answer questions.

There will be changes to the meeting room and our sorting/ storage room; the information **Molly** has for us is necessary for planning future book sales.

Our meetings are short, and attending is a good way to learn a bit more about the Friends and about your branch library.

Our next book sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 17, 9 AM-4 PM. Set-up is Friday, May 16, 9 AM until done, probably until noon. For details, see our own *BH Newsletter*. See you there!

Beth Crabb, Treasurer

Cody

At the April 16 meeting, the Friends of the Cody Branch were entertained and educated by **Georgina Schwartz's** presentation on birding in the San Antonio area. Also at the meeting, officers were elected, with **Margaret Lecznar** agreeing to continue as president and **Pat Mendiola**, **Ann Susswein**, and **Janna Lawrence** serving as vice-president, treasurer, and secretary, respectively. **Carol Van Cleave** will be the group's program chair.

The next meeting of the Cody Branch Friends will be on May 20 at 7:00 PM. Austin-based historical romance author **Julia London** will speak. For more information about **Julia**, visit her web site at www.julialondon.com.

Janna Lawrence Cody Branch Secretary

Oakwell

We have more than 100 members—a new record. Oakwell is still going strong with new additions such as DVDs and racks to hold them. Also new to Oakwell is **Haley Latshaw**, Acting Head Librarian. We're glad to have you, **Haley**!

Aaron Konstam,

Oakwell Branch President Telephone: (210)-999-7484 email:akonstam@trinity.edu

Westfall

The March 3 Staff Appreciation Luncheon given by the Friends of Westfall also became a Farewell Luncheon for our manager, **Christine Palmer**, who was selected to become manager of the Thousand Oaks Branch. The Friends have really enjoyed working with **Mrs. Palmer** and thank her for her great support and enthusiasm. As a "silver lining," we learned that **Jeff**

Martin was joining Westfall Branch as the new manager. **Mr. Martin** has served in many positions in the San Antonio Public Library System and brings a broad background of experience. We welcome him and look forward to working together and sharing with him our great affection for Westfall Branch.

The April 24 meeting of the Friends hosted **David Liss**, author of *A Conspiracy of Paper* and the recently published *The Coffee Trader*, who joined us at Westfall to discuss his work. **Mr. Liss** won the 2000 Edgar Award for Best First Novel. The meeting was jointly sponsored by the Cody and Westfall Friends.

Wednesday, June 4, 1:30–5:00 PM is the time for our next meeting. Come celebrate the 40th birthday of Westfall Branch Library and the 100th birthday of the San Antonio Public Library with cake and punch at Westfall at 1:30 PM. There will be activities for children from 2:00–4:00 PM and a party for teens from 4:00–5:00 PM. This marks the beginning of Westfall's summer reading program for young people. Saturday, June 14, 9:30 AM–4:00 PM is the date for the next Westfall Friends Used Book Sale.

Bettie WardWestfall Branch President

Writer Friends

Mark your calendars for the May Writer Friends meeting/ Texas Writers Month celebration. We will meet Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 PM at Fiesta Trails Barnes & Noble, 12635 IH-10 West and De Zavala. There will be readings, refreshments, and an opportunity to visit with authors. Writer Friends' books will be available for purchase. These writers will be introduced and five writers will read briefly from their works.

Those scheduled to read are: **Diane Gonzalez Bertrand**, who is featured on the library's Centennial Poster, **Jay Brandon**, **Naomi Shihab Nye**, **Margie McCreless Roe**, and **Claude Stanush**.

Vouchers will be available to those attending so that a percentage of their purchases will be contributed to the San Antonio Library Foundation's "Born to Read" program.

Writer friends who wish to sell their books and have not already contacted **Caren Creech** at Barnes & Noble may still do so. In some cases, writers will be asked to bring their own books if they do not contact her early enough or she isn't able to get the books in time. **Caren's** contact information:

Caren Creech

Community Relations Manager
Barnes & Noble 2684
12635 W IH 10, Ste. 545
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 561-0718; Fax (210) 561-0263
crm2684@bn.com

All Friends and their friends are invited to the event.

Junette Kirkham Woller, Correspondent

| Receipts | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Book Cellar | \$58,000.00 | | |
| Membership/Donations | \$12,000.00 | | |
| Interest Income | \$2,500.00 | | |
| Branch Sales | \$20,000 | | |
| Total Receipts | | | \$92,500.00 |
| | | | |
| Disbursements | | | |
| Accounting | \$1,600.00 | | |
| Annual Meeting | \$100.00 | | |
| Arts & Letters | \$500.00 | | |
| Postage | \$1,600.00 | | |
| President's Expenses | \$200.00 | | |
| TLA Travel Stipend | \$700.00 | | |
| Treasurer's Expenses | \$50.00 | | |
| Committee Expenses | \$100.00 | | |
| Supplies | \$800.00 | | |
| Misc/Gifts/Flowers | \$150.00 | | |
| Operating Expenses | | \$5,800.00 | |
| | | | |
| BookCellar | | | |
| Advertising | \$2,500.00 | | |
| Book Bags | \$550.00 | | |
| Parking | \$3,000.00 | | |
| Salary | \$6,100.00 | | |
| Supplies/Equipment | \$500.00 | | |
| Taxes (Payroll) | \$1,100.00 | | |
| Taxes (Sales) | \$4,500.00 | | |
| Volunteer Recognition | \$1,000.00 | | |
| Total Book Cellar | | \$19,250.00 | |
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| Membership | | | |
| Directory | \$1,000.00 | | |
| Membership Committee | \$350.00 | | |
| Memberships (TLA, FOLUSA) | \$175.00 | | |
| Newsletter Production | \$1,400.00 | | |
| Newsletter Printing | \$1,800.00 | | |
| Membership Expenses | | \$4,725.00 | |
| Branch Disbursements | \$15,000.00 | 15,000.00 | |
| "Born to Read" | \$10,000.00 | | |
| SAPL Projects | \$20,000.00 | | |
| Contributions to Library | | \$30,000.00 | |
| | | | |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | | | \$74,775.00 |

FY '03/'04 Programming Monies

| \$7,740 |
|----------|
| \$3,415 |
| \$2,600 |
| \$18,250 |
| \$2,000 |
| \$34,005 |
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| Telephone Guide |
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| Book Cellar |
| Central Library Administration |
| Central Library Information |
| Central Library Volunteer Office |
| Friends of the San Antonio Public Library |
| President, Barbara Isner |
| Vice President, Lucy Gale (Hm) 402-4021 |
| Acting Secretary, Irma Ned Bailey 344-7114 |
| Treasurer, Aaron Konstam |
| San Antonio Public Library Foundation 225-4728 |
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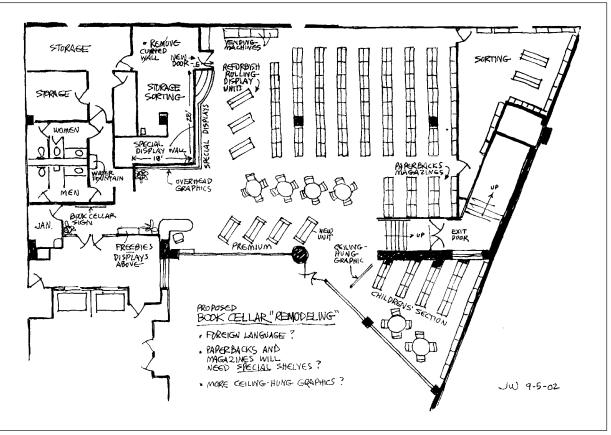
Treasurer's Report As of 4/15/2003

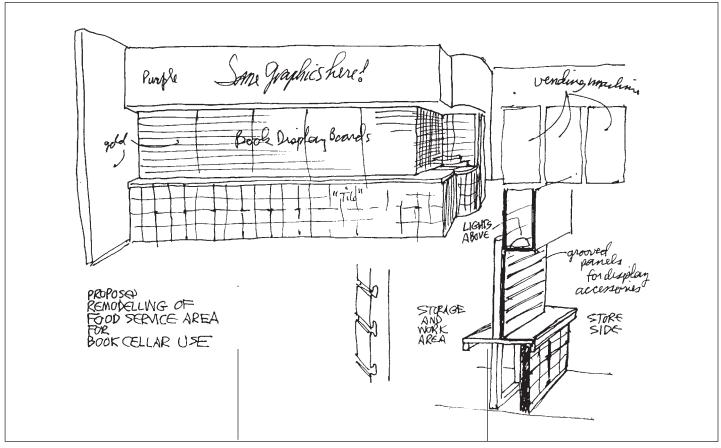
Submitted by Aaron Konstam, Treasurer

| Aaron Konstam, Treasurer | | | | | | | |
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| 12/31/02 Account | 4/15/03 Balance | BRANCH GROUPS | | | | | |
| Balance | Balarioo | | 12/31/02 | 4/15/03 | | | |
| Bank Accounts | | | Balance | Balance | | | |
| Guaranty MM | 56,665.22 | Cash Accounts | Balarioo | Balarioo | | | |
| Guaranty CD 4315 | 25,681.60 | Brookhollow | 10 700 48 | 9,087.05 | | | |
| Guaranty CD 432325,479.93 | 25,681.60 | Carver | | 1,447.20 | | | |
| Guaranty CD 4828 | 22,550.00 | Cody | • | 6,519.08 | | | |
| Guaranty Checking | 20,574.83 | Johnston | | 449.00 | | | |
| TOTAL Bank Accounts | 151,153.25 | McCreless | | 1,696.62 | | | |
| | • | Qakwell | • | 12,054.53 | | | |
| Liability Accounts | | Teens | • | 49.89 | | | |
| Branch Funds60,473.16 | -55,947.48 | Texana-Geneology | | 14,678.05 | | | |
| TOTAL Liability Accounts60,473.16 | -55,947.48 | Thousand Oaks | | 636.04 | | | |
| , | • | Westfall | • | 6,355.47 | | | |
| OVERALL TOTAL82,469.88 | 95,205.77 | Writers | • | 2,974.55 | | | |
| . , | , | TOTAL Cash Accounts | , | 55,947.48 | | | |
| Category Description 1/1/03-4/15/03 | | TOTAL Casif Accounts | | 33,947.40 | | | |
| | | OVERALL TOTAL | 60,473.16 | 55,947.48 | | | |
| INFLOWS | | | | | | | |
| Uncategorized | | | | | | | |
| Book Cellar | | Category Description | 1/1/03-4/15/03 | | | | |
| Donations | | | | | | | |
| Interest Inc | | INFLOWS | | | | | |
| Membership | | Book Sale | | | | | |
| FOSAPL | | Cody | 2,297.80 | | | | |
| TOTAL Membership | | Oakwell | | | | | |
| Poster Sales | | TOTAL Book Sale | 3,650.80 | | | | |
| FROM Branch Funds5,346.80 | | Donation | | | | | |
| | | Dues | | | | | |
| TOTAL INFLOWS | | Brookhollow | 60.00 | | | | |
| | | Carver | | | | | |
| OUTFLOWS | | Cody | | | | | |
| Accounting | | Johnston | 6.00 | | | | |
| Arts And Letters | | McCreless | | | | | |
| Bank Charge | | Oakwell | | | | | |
| Bulk Mail | | Teens | | | | | |
| Mail Box | | Texana-Genology | 450.00 | | | | |
| Misc | | Thousand Oaks | | | | | |
| Newsletter | | Westfall | | | | | |
| Office Supplies | | Writers | 169.00 | | | | |
| Parking | | TOTAL Dues | 1,127.00 | | | | |
| Manager120.00 | | | | | | | |
| Volunteers | | TOTAL INFLOWS | 5,243.80 | | | | |
| TOTAL Parking1,098.50 | | | | | | | |
| Payroll Taxes | | OUTFLOWS | | | | | |
| Postage | | Expenses | | | | | |
| President's expenses | | Brookhollow | 1,813.43 | | | | |
| Salary | | Cody | • | | | | |
| Sales Tax | | Oakwell | | | | | |
| Volunteer Appreciation | | Texana-Geneology | | | | | |
| TO Branch Funds | | Thousand Oaks | 2,015.70 | | | | |
| TOTAL OUTFLOWS21,698.38 | | Westfall | | | | | |
| | | TOTAL Expenses | · | | | | |
| OVERALL TOTAL | | • | | | | | |
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Body Sculpting for the Book Cellar

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May–June 2003

Library Abuzz with Centennial Activities

This year is the San Antonio Public Library's 100th birthday, and lots of celebrations are planned. Centennial events will fall into one of the following categories:

- Events presented by the San Antonio Public Library Foundation: these include exhibits in the Central Library Gallery, the Chihuly glass sculpture, Chihuly through Children's Eyes series (free and open to the public) and the Famous Explorers series (free and open to the public).
- Special events presented by the Library with the help of sponsors: Such events as the citywide Library Birthday Party planned for June 8 will be free and open to the public.
- Events which the Library would present anyway and which are receiving a Centennial "twist": Activities such as Summer Reading.

Watch for details in area newspaper notices and the Library's monthly calendars, or check online at (Library) www.sanantonio.gov/library/events/centennial/events.asp and (Library Foundation) www.saplf.org/centennial/index.php.

Library Public Service Announcements

Watch *SA Living* (www.woai.com/living/) on Channel 4 (WOAI-TV, Cable Channel 3) at 10:00 AM on Tuesdays or Thursdays. The promotional spots recognizing library staff and honoring the Library's Centennial celebration will run on those days through October.

Cover to Cover TV Program Highlights FOSAPL and Centennial Poster

Cover To Cover is SAPL's own television show on TVSA, Channel 21 on Time-Warner Cable. Hosted by Pamela Longoria (Collins Garden), this half hour show focuses on the many services and programs that the San Antonio Public Library system has to offer. The guests on the March program were Beth Graham and Clif Tinker. Beth discussed the Friends of San Antonio Public Library, highlighting the Book Cellar and the many ways that the Friends help to support the library system through their sponsorship of programs and gifts of equipment, etc. Mr. Tinker detailed the steps he took to create the Centennial Poster, which was commissioned by the Friends. He also encouraged would-be artists to make every effort to find ways to display their art in public places.

Each episode is aired at the following times each month (and sometimes repeated in later months):

- Monday, Wednesday, & Friday @ 8:30 AM
- Tuesday @ 1:30 PM

Times may be subject to change as new programming is introduced, so be sure to check the TVSA Web Page (www.sanantonio.gov/tvsa/tvsaguide.asp) for the latest scheduling information.

Dale Chihuly Glass Sculptures Featured in Main Branch

Although "National Living Treasure" **Dale Chihuly** employs age-old glassblowing techniques, glassmakers of a century ago would be unprepared for the stunning works he crafts. A \$350,000 gift from the Russell Hill Rogers Fund for the Arts has made it possible for the Library Foundation to commission Chihuly to create a monumental glasswork for the Central Library's soaring atrium designed by **Ricardo Legorreta**. Chihuly's *Fiesta Tower* will engage the entire city in the Library's 2003 birthday celebration. The enduring gift will symbolize the Library's first 100 years of service to its citizens and herald its next. The shimmering, transparent work of this American artist seems truly fitting to illustrate the vital connection of literature and art as focal points of man's heritage and doors to the knowledge and understanding that are key to our future.

Mr. Chihuly will be here to unveil his dramatic blown-glass sculpture at the Centennial Gala on Saturday, June 7, 2003. The co-founder of the internationally known Pilchuck Glass School, Dale Chihuly was the first American glassblower to work in the Venini factory on the island of Murano, Italy. His work is included in the permanent collections of more than 170 museums. Two of the artist's most spectacular public art installations were the suspension of 14 of his massive "chandeliers" over the major landmarks and canals of Venice and his monumental millennium project – *Chihuly in the Light of Jerusalem 2000*. San Antonio might not seem a likely destination for an artist who has conquered Venice and Jerusalem, but Chihuly immediately

embraced the project with characteristic exuberance enthusiasm. He relishes the opportunity to design a work befitting Legorreta's design and seems particularly drawn to the city's colorful cultural heritage and the quality of light found at this latitude. Legorreta's atrium seems as though it were designed as an ideally illuminated showcase for one of Chihuly's shimmering sculptures.

The sculpture unveiling and related artistic events at numer-



ous San Antonio institutions, including the San Antonio Museum of Art and the Southwest School of Art and Craft, will attract new visitors to San Antonio and will awaken an interest in art, motivating individuals to explore the world of art and fine crafts through both books and museums. The partnership of the Library and museums/art galleries is a natural one. As Vartan Gregorian, President of The Carnegie Corporation, writes: "Together with the museum, the library is the DNA of our culture. Cemeteries do not provide earthly immortality to men and women or preserve their memories; libraries and museums do."

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Summar Reading Program Begins in June

This year is the San Antonio Public Library's 100th birthday, and Summer 2003 is going to be extra special!

- There's a new way to sign up: Children or teens, go online at www.sanantonio.gov to register, then print your confirmation and bring it to your nearest Library to receive your Summer Reading supplies. (If you can't get to a computer, you can still sign up in person at any San Antonio Public Library location.)
- There's a new look: for this year, the summer calendar has been combined into one handy newsletter with June and July information and schedules for children, teens and adults.
- There's a once-in-a-lifetime celebration: you're invited to our free city-wide 100th Birthday Party, Sunday, June 8, at the Central Library, 600 Soledad. We'll have birthday cake and fun for the whole family.
- There's a whole new end-of-summer party: SummerFest, scheduled for July 26. So everyone can fiesta together, there will be activities and entertainment for both teens and younger children. Watch for more details.

Join us at the San Antonio Public Library for free fun all summer long! Tickets will be required for admission to all Library-wide programs. Free tickets will be available at each location approximately 1 week prior to each performance. As always, the San Antonio Public Library Summer Reading Program is free and open to everyone.

S.A., USA! Children's Program

In our Centennial year, the San Antonio Public Library is celebrating our hometown. The 2003 Library Children's Summer Reading Program is open to all. Even kids too young to read on their own can participate by being read to. Reading is fun, and this summer at the Library, you can also earn great prizes* for the time you spend reading: read for 5, 10 and 15 hours



to earn awards. You can even earn awards by reading to someone else (such as a younger brother or sister!)

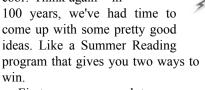
New this Summer: Where's Libro? Mystery Game for kids! Library Summer Reading mascot Libro the Lion has visited six San Antonio landmarks. Correctly name all six and you could win a SeaWorld Adventure Park visit for four and a stay at the

Radisson Hill Country Resort and Spa! Just fill out the card attached to your reading log and return it to any San Antonio Public Library by July 19. Even if you don't get them all right, you could still win two one-day SeaWorld passes, so be sure to turn in your entry card.

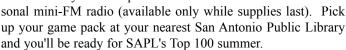
Not only that, there's fun at your Library all Summer long. Parents and children will both want to see our special Summer Reading shows with musician/songwriter/entertainer Joe McDermott, and Chuck Golla, the World's Most Honest Magician. For more information on these and other programs, check this Fun Guide, or call (210) 207-2500 or any Branch Library, or go online at www.sanantonio.gov/library.

SAPL 100 Teen Program

Think the Library's not for teens? Think it's dull, doesn't have anything even halfway cool? Think again – in



First way: complete game cards to receive awards such as coupons for free food or your own per-



Teen Summer 200

Back by popular demand! The Shadow Mystery Game: Who Kidnapped the DJ? Here's your second way to win: someone has kidnapped a big-name DJ, and you have to solve the crime! There are six suspects, six clues and six weeks to find the perp. Give us your best guess, and if you're right, you'll be entered to win a SeaWorld Adventure Park visit for four and a stay at the Radisson Hill Country Resort and Spa. Even if you're not right, you could win two one-day SeaWorld passes. Fill out the crime report in your Summer Reading pack and return it to your Library by July 19 for your chance to win.

When you're not on the trail of the DJ-napper, chill at your local Library. There will be Yu-Gi-Oh tournaments, henna tattoos, karaoke parties, and open mike nights where you can share your favorite poetry or song. Special teen programs include SKRATCH SKOOL with DJ Jester and DJ Klassen (learn to spin like a pro); and Extreme Texas Wrestling (where you can meet and talk to the pros and even see a few moves.) Check online at www.sanantonio.gov or call (210) 207-2500 for all the details.

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Form for Gifts, Donations, and Memorials

Honor a loved one with a remembrance for birthdays, Acknowledgement to: anniversaries, or "just because." It can also be a wonderful, thoughtful, and lasting way to honor the memory of a relative Name ___ or friend. If you do not want to make a contribution at this time, clip Address ___ this form and save it for the appropriate occasion. City, State, Zip I would like to make the following donation: My Name and Address: \square In honor of \square In memory of Name ___ ☐ Special event (birthday, graduation, etc.) Address ___ City, State, Zip City, State, Zip _____ Please fill out in full, make your check payable to: Friends of the San Antonio Public Library Amount \$_____ (All donations are tax deductible.) and mail to: Friends of the San Antonio Public Library (FOSAPL) P.O. Box 831174 San Antonio, Texas 78283-1174

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| Dual (Adult) | \$ 20 | Renewal | |
| Individual (Teen, Ages 13-18) | \$ 5 | | |
| Patron (Per Person) | \$ 50 | Branch Group | |
| Contributing (Per Person) | \$100 | Additional Donation \$ | |
| Life (Per Person) | \$250 | TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ | |
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(Note: Membership is from Jan. 1—Dec. 31. Members receive a renewal notice in early Dec.)





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CALENDAR OF BOOK SALES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Please refer to the Branch Leaves for support group meetings. It's a good idea to call and verify information before setting out for a meeting or program. Sometimes dates or times change after newsletter publication.

MAY

- 5 Brook Hollow Friends meeting, 7:00 PM
- 17 Brook Hollow book sale, 9 AM–4 PM. Set-up begins Friday, May 16, 9 AM.
- 20 Cody Branch Friends meeting, 7:00 PM
- 21 Open Board Meeting, McCreless Library, 7:00 PM

JUNE

- Westfall Branch Friends meeting, 1:30–5:00 PM. Celebrate Westfall's 40th birthday and the 100th birthday of the San Antonio Public Library with cake and punch; activities for children from 2:00–4:00 PM and a party for teens from 4:00–5:00 PM.
- 5-8 Folklife Festival (sign up to work in the Autograph Party booth)
- 13 May Writer Friends meeting/Texas Writers Month celebration, 7:00 PM, Fiesta Trails Barnes & Noble, 12635 IH-10 West and De Zavala
- 14 Westfall Friends used book sale, 9:30 AM-4:00 PM

Brook Hollow Library 530 Heimer Road, 78232 (210) 496-6315

Central Library 600 Soledad Street, 78205 (210) 207-2534

Cody Library 11441 Vance Jackson, 78230 (210) 696-6396

Westfall Library 6111 Rosedale Court, 78201 (210) 344-2373

McCreless Library 1023 Ada Street, 78223 (210) 532-4254

Please mark your calendars for all 2003 Board Meetings: May 21, July 16, September 17, and November 19.

*Note: Each branch Friends group has a designated representative to the Board. However, these Board meetings are open to the general membership. All members are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

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